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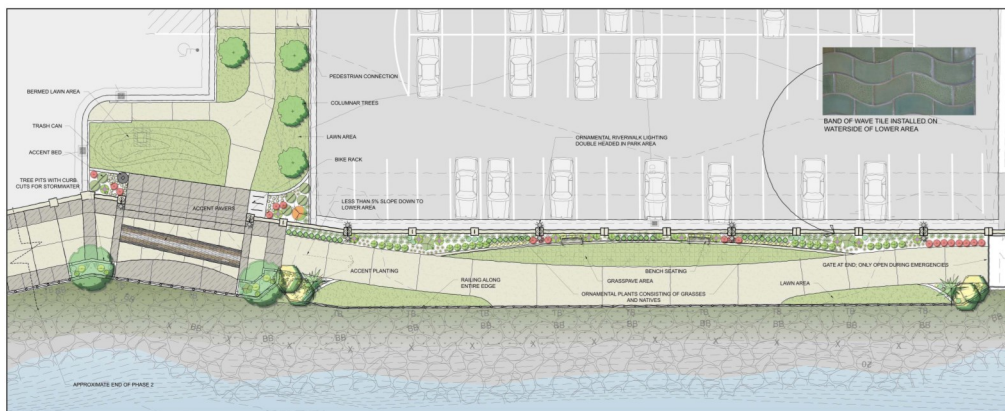
Downtown Flood Protection Project - Phase 3 Update

In March, Interwest Construction of Burlington will begin construction of the final phase of the downtown flood protection project. The project will complete 2,900 feet of additional flood protection. Work will begin adjacent to the Commercial Cold Storage business with construction of a concrete wall similar to the existing floodwall in Downtown.

The wall consists of steel sheet piling driven 20 feet below the ground surface and a 1-foot thick reinforced concrete wall extending up to 10 feet above the ground. The wall will transition to an aluminum stop log wall type that will be deployed when flooding is predicted. The final wall type will consist of steel sheet piling transitioning into an earthen levee constructed adjacent to the Dairy Valley Cold Storage property and extending to the City's Wastewater Treatment Plant. Additional park amenities will be installed on the south end of the existing Riverwalk including landscaping, benches, and overhead lighting.

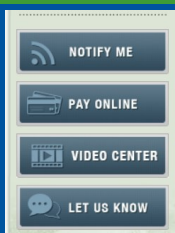
Local businesses have made great progress in the last year in anticipation of the project. Commercial Cold Storage has successfully constructed a new dry storage building and business office that were in the way of the new floodwall alignment and Dairy Valley Cold Storage continues to make progress on their new facility to allow for the construction of the new earthen levee.

Phase 3 is estimated to cost \$11 million, which is fully funded by Washington State capital dollars, Dike District 3 funding, and Wastewater Treatment Plant contributions. The City estimates project completion by the end of 2017. For more information visit the City website at www.mountvernonwa.gov.



PHASE 3 RENDERING

Showing project portion from southern boundary of completed Phase 2



Did you know you can watch City Council meetings online?

Our City website www.mountvernonwa.gov features video of City Council meetings and other media produced for Channel 10 and public relations. Click on "Video Center" on the City's front page to scroll through the many selections.

Mayor's Winter Wellness Week

Free Activities for 7 Days!

Thursday, January 26

"Illuminight" Winter Walk
Tri Dee Arts, 215 S. 1st Street
4:00 pm – Create lantern
5:30 pm – Walk the Riverwalk

Friday, January 27

Five Wishes Workshop: Writing Your Living Will

Police/Court Campus
1805 Continental St, 12 - 1 pm
RSVP Required: 336-6211

Saturday, January 28

Take Your Loved One for a Walk
Make some time to walk with someone special today!

Father Daughter Valentine's Ball

Mount Vernon High School Cafeteria

Saturday, February 4
6:30 - 8:30 pm

\$22 per couple/\$11 each additional girl

All girls are invited with their fathers (or other father figure) to a Valentine's Ball. This is an opportunity for dads and daughters to dress up and spend a night together creating lasting memories. Tickets must be pre-purchased and are on sale now - contact (360) 336-6215.

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Garbage Tags

Did you know that you can purchase garbage tags at City Hall if you have extra garbage to put out?

Tags are \$2.25, \$5.50 \$7.75, \$11.00 and \$16.50, depending on the size and amount of your extra waste. For example, small grocery or white bags are \$2.25 and large black bags are \$5.50. Just attach them to the bags or object you would like picked up and our Solid Waste crew will take care of the rest!



Update on Officer Mike McClaughry



Officer McClaughry continues to improve. His daughter recently posted on Facebook: "So some good news, dad has made some major improvements in the last few days! He is more conscious and is actually having conversations. I spoke with him over the phone tonight and told him about some of the fundraising events and all the amazing support he's had over the last month. I'm not sure if he will remember it all because his short term memory seems to be a bit off but that just means I get to tell him again until his brain has healed itself enough. His sight situation hasn't changed and may not for many months, if it even does. He may be blinded for life but

we are hoping for the best! He will still thrive though and he is in really good spirits! This also means that he is strong enough to stay at Harborview and move to the rehab floor soon. He won't have to move and can stay there until he's ready to come home."

You can follow her Facebook page "Officer Mike McClaughry" for further updates and information on upcoming fundraisers.

Hoag Road Sidewalk and Bike Lane

Colacurcio Brothers Construction is making progress on this sidewalk gap project, which is funded by Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) funds in the amount of \$242,500.

The project includes adding sidewalk on the south side of Hoag Road east of Urban Avenue for about 600-feet to eliminate a gap in the sidewalk system.



In addition to sidewalk, this project widens the road and adds a bike lane. Work began in November 2016. Paving had been delayed due to inclement weather but it has started up again this week and the project is expected to be complete by mid February 2017.